

REMARKS

Claims 1, 4-8, 10-22 and 28-49 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, new claims 44-49 are added.

Applicant maintains all of the arguments set forth in the response filed July 13, 2006. Further, applicant respectfully submits that each of new claims 44-49 contains additional allowable subject matter. More specifically, dependent claim 44 recites that the controller to output the brightness control codes by increasing or decreasing previous brightness control codes by 1.

The applied references including U.S. Patent 6,559,826 to Mendelson and U.S. Patent Publication 2003/0058202 to Evanicky et al. (hereafter Evanicky) do not teach or suggest outputting brightness control codes by increasing or decreasing previous brightness control codes by 1. For at least these reasons, dependent claim 44 (and similarly dependent claims 45-49) defines patentable subject matter at least for this additional reason.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of claims 1, 4-8, 10-22 and 28-49 are earnestly solicited. If the Examiner believes that any additional changes would place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

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To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this, concurrent and future replies, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 16-0607 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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